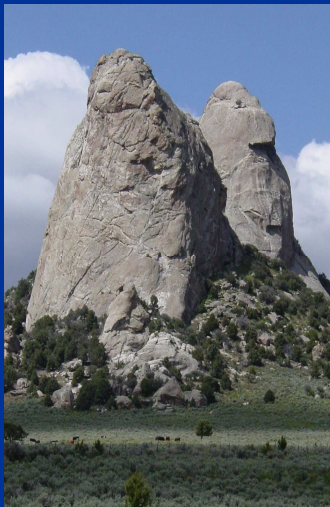


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JUNIOR RANGER

Certificate of Completion

Presented To:



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Junior Ranger Signature

Park Ranger Signature

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Activity Guide



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Welcome to City of Rocks National Reserve

City of Rocks has many activities to offer its visitors, from site-seeing to rock climbing and hiking. Learn all about City of Rocks National Reserve by talking with a ranger at the visitors center.

Park employees work hard to protect and preserve the natural and historical features of the park. This Junior Ranger Program was designed to help you and your family enjoy the reserve, as well as help the rangers protect its features. When you become a Junior Ranger you have an opportunity to help preserve the history and its natural wonders.

Junior Ranger Pledge

- To enjoy nature without picking plants or injuring wildlife.
- To help keep our reserve clean and free of litter.
- To only climb where I can safely climb down.
- To be a positive example for other park visitors.
- To explore the wonders of City of Rocks.
- To invite others to visit City of Rocks National Reserve.

Word Search Answer Key

Register
Rock

Emigrant
Canyon

Twin
Sisters

Biking

Hiking

Bath Rock

Cactus

Ranger

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Pine

City of
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Red Tailed
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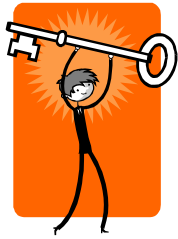
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Climbing

Mountains

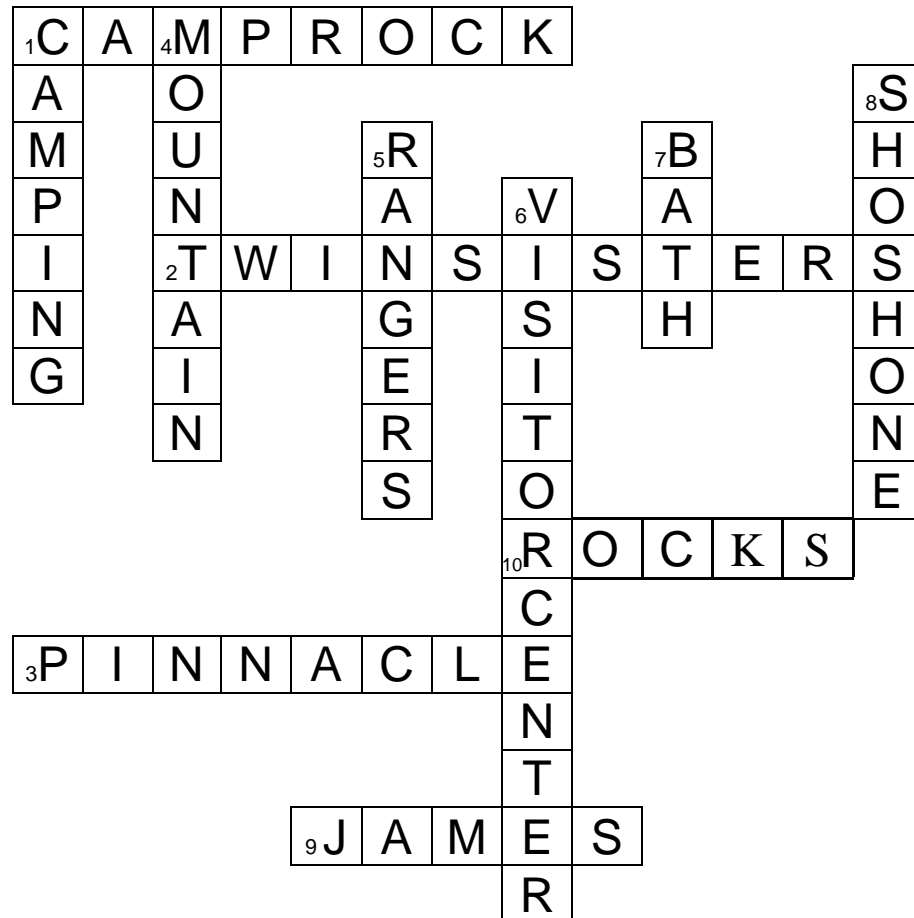
Map Quiz Key

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| 1. The California Trail | 2. At Bath Rock and Emery Pass | 3. East |
| 4. 2 | 5. 8 | |



Answer Key

Crossword



City of Rocks Visitors

Some of the earliest people to live in and around the City of Rocks were the Bannock and Shoshone Indians. The next group of people to travel here were beaver trappers. They did not stay long because there were few beaver to be found. Then, in 1843 the first wagon train rolled through City of Rocks guided by Joseph Walker.

Now, about 80,000 people visit City of Rocks each year, including you! Visitors come to the City of Rocks for many different reasons depending on the season. Summer activities include mountain biking, hiking, horseback riding, climbing, picnicking, and camping. Winter recreation includes snowshoeing and cross country skiing. In both seasons, wildlife viewing is one of the favorite activities of all visitors.

The park has seen many changes since it was established in 1988, but with help from park employees, volunteers and Junior Rangers like you, it will always remain a special place.

Junior Rangers

Being a Junior Ranger means more than just knowing about the nature and history of the area. Junior Rangers must help protect the area by obeying the rules and caring for the wildlife and special features of City of Rocks.

Who is qualified to become a Junior Ranger?

Any child between the ages of 6 and 12.

How do I become a City of Rocks Junior Ranger?

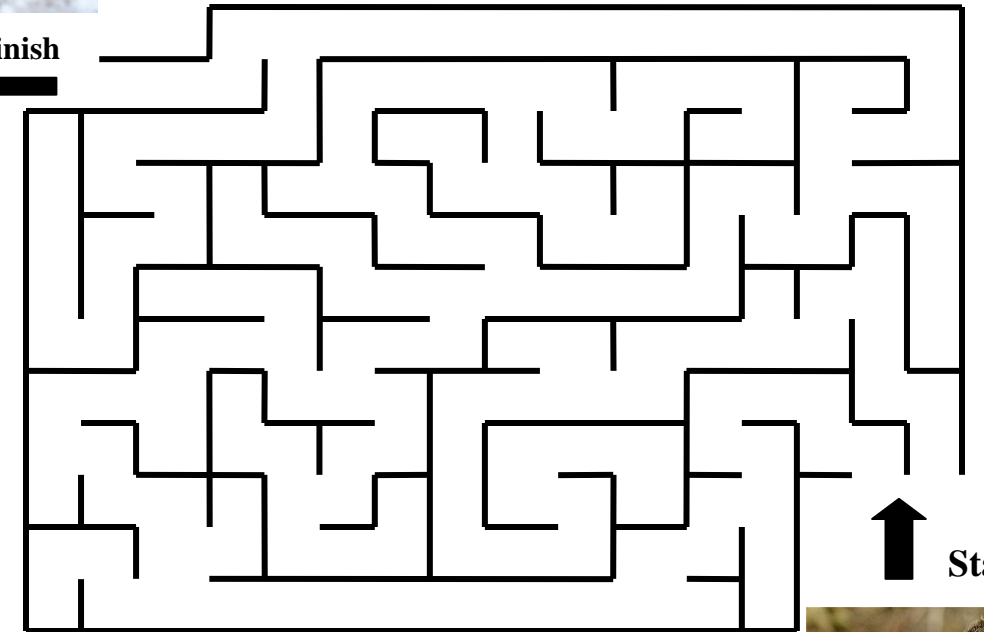
Children 6-8 years old must complete four of the eight activities in the Junior Ranger Activity Book and children 9-12 must complete six. In addition to the book activities, children of all ages must collect at least one small bag of trash from the reserve and bring it to the visitors center.

After completion of the Junior Ranger Activity Book as well as the Junior Ranger activity, each potential Junior Ranger will receive a certificate and badge.

COMPLETE THE MAZE



Finish



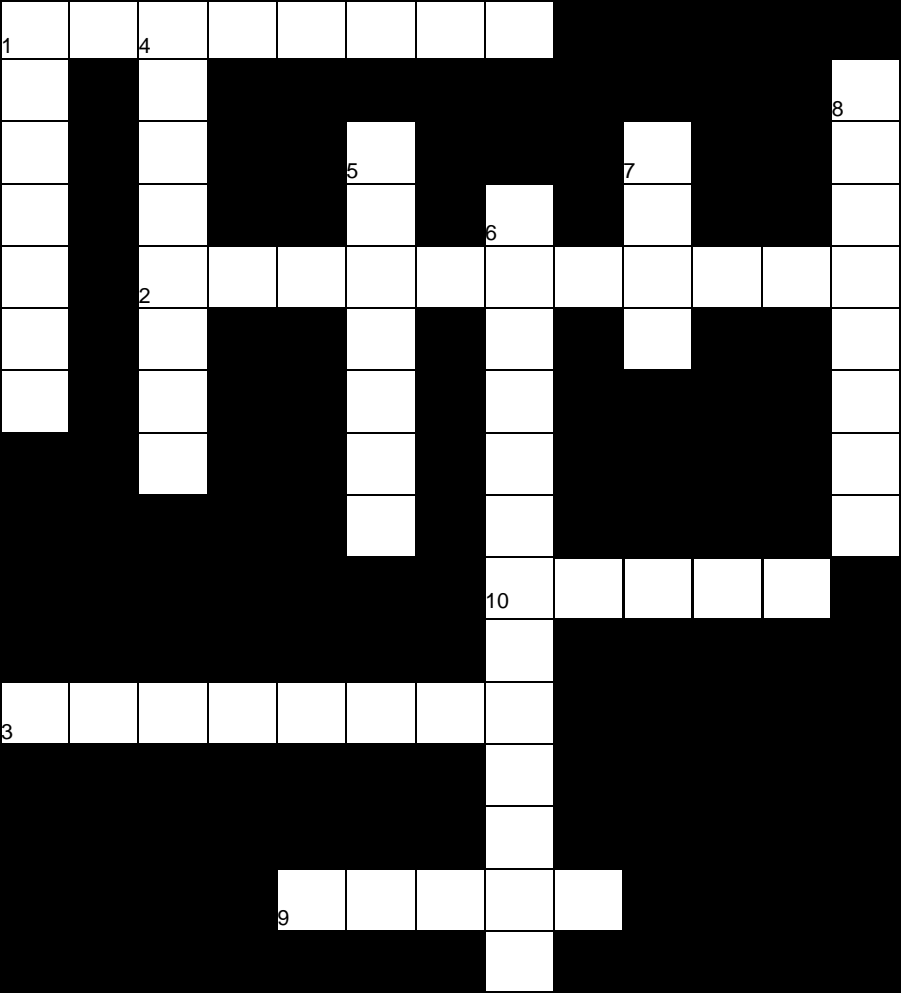
Start



Help this Cliff Chipmunk find a way through the maze to recover the pinyon pine cone.



Crossword



Across

1. Autographed rock along the California Trail.
2. Identical historic rock formations.
3. Emigrants passed through _____ Pass near Twin Sisters.
9. _____ Wilkins named the City of Rocks.
10. City of Rocks is made up of ____

Down

1. Overnight recreation.
4. _____ Lions can be seen in the park.
5. People who are here to help you enjoy your time at City of Rocks.
6. A place to find information about the park.
7. _____ Rock is famous for the tub-like hole on the top.
8. The Bannock and _____ Indians were some of the first people to visit and live in this area.

Word Search

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Nature and Rock Search

There are many different plants, animals and rock formations found throughout the park. Take a hike around City of Rocks to try and identify as many of the plants, animals and rock formations listed below as possible. Once you see them, mark them off by placing a check mark in the boxes provided. Do not be discouraged if you do not see all the plants and animals, some of the animals are shy and some of the plants may not be in season.

Twin Sisters

☐

Along the California Trail, the Twin Sisters are not actually twins. The sister on the left is 100 times older.

Pinyon Pine

☐

The reserve has the largest Pinyon Pine forest in Idaho. Bannock and Shoshone people have harvested the nuts here for over 200 years.

Columbine

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Columbine blooms from late spring to mid-summer and contains nectar inside its spurs. The yellow of the flower are its' petals.

Red-tailed Hawk

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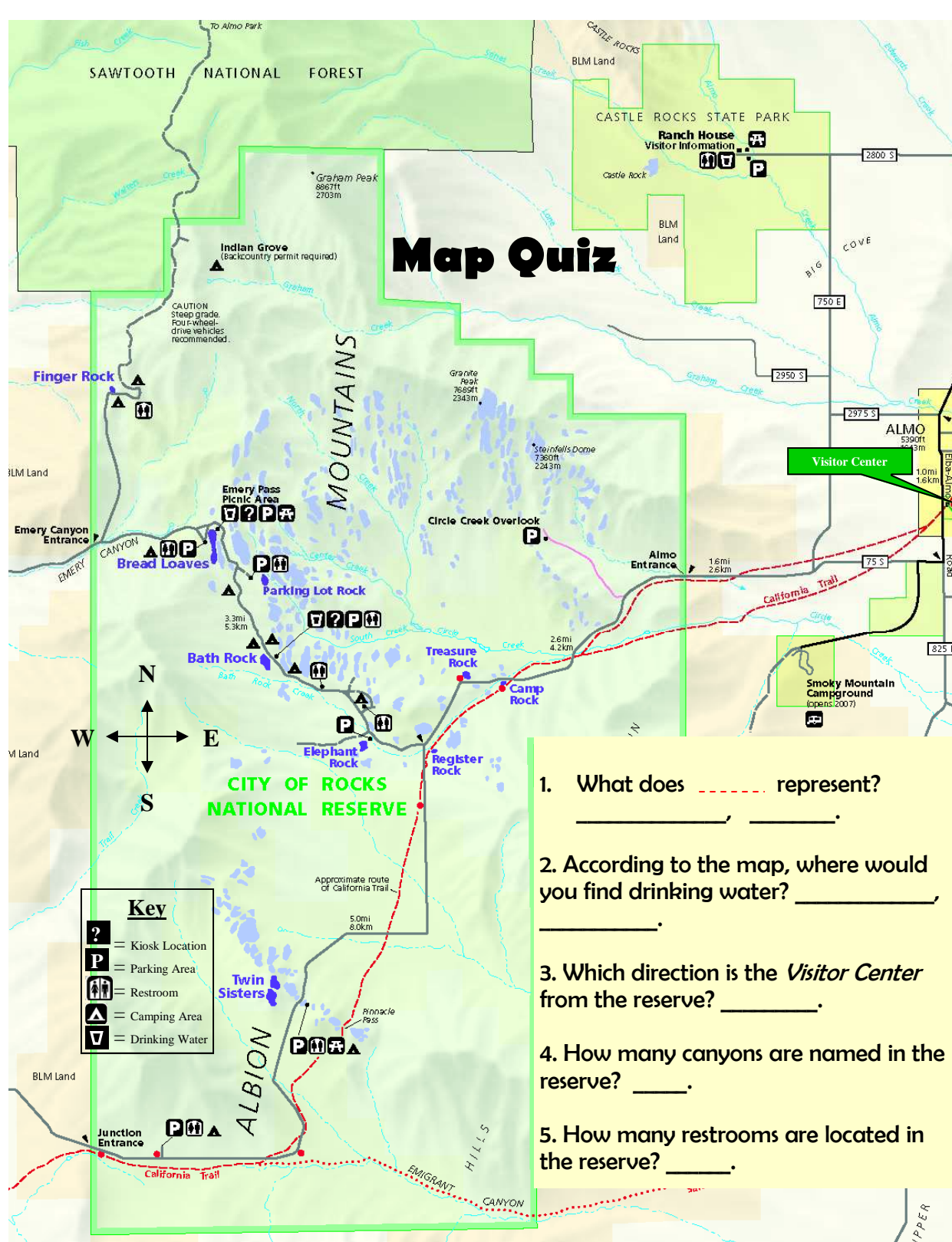
Red-tailed Hawks can live 10-21 years. Their diet includes rodents and snakes. This is the most common hawk in the Reserve.

COLOR BY NUMBER



1 Light Green
2 Dark Green

3 Light Brown
4 Dark Brown



Map Quiz

1. What does represent?
.....
2. According to the map, where would you find drinking water?
3. Which direction is the *Visitor Center* from the reserve?
4. How many canyons are named in the reserve?
5. How many restrooms are located in the reserve?

Camp Rock



Camp Rock, like Register Rock has signatures of the emigrants who passed through the City of Rocks.

Jackrabbit



Jackrabbits can be found throughout the Reserve. They are most active between evening and early morning hours.

Mountain Bluebird



The Mountain Bluebird is Idaho's State bird, and it is also found in the Reserve

Mule Deer



Mule deer often live ten years in the wild, and feed on shrubs like bitterbrush.

Prickly Pear Cactus



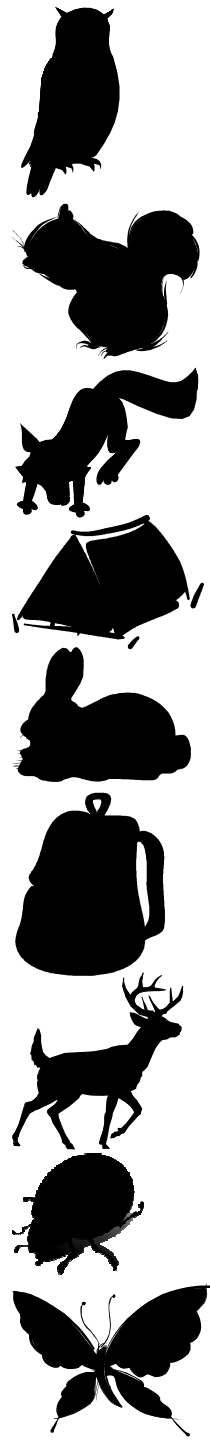
Prickly Pear Cactus is quite common in rocky dry areas. It blooms in June and comes in a variety of colors.

Bath Rock














Bath Rock is one of the more popular rock formations because it has both easy and hard climbing routes. There are large bathtub-shaped pools on top.

Match each picture with its shadow



Fill in the spaces with the correct letter to uncover the secret message.



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